

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services - Treasuries and Accounts Department – Allegations of corruption against Sri Ch.Venkateswarlu, ATO (Retd) - Imposition of a punishment of withholding of Gratuity in full and also withholding of 25% pension permanently under Rule 9 of AP Revised Pension Rules, 1980 – Review Petition of Sri Ch.Venkateswarlu, ATO (Retd) – Modification of punishment - Orders – Issued

FINANCE (ADMN.I.VIG) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.3573

Dated 01.09.2008

Read the following:-

1. DG, ACB, C.No.220/RCT-VGT/01, dt. 08-01-2002& dt. 16.12.2002.
2. Secretary, TDP Lr.D.No.S/38/2005, dt. 27-12-2005 along with the Report in TEC No.169/2003.
3. Govt. Memo.No.41985/4/A1/Admn.I.Vig/02, dt. 24.6. 06&12.12.2006.
4. DTA Lr. No. K (I)2/11099/2006, dt.29.8.2006 & 1.8.2006 along with explanation of Sri Ch. Venkateswarlu, AAO(Retd.).
5. G.O.Rt.No.1652 of Finance (admn.I) Department dated 12-04-2007.
6. Review petition of Sri C.Venkateswarlu, ATO (Retd), 01-08-2008.

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ORDER:-

In the reference 1st cited, the DG, ACB has informed that on registering the complaint of Sri. K. Gangaiah, Health Extension Officer (Retd) Moparru Village, Ammarthlur Mandal, Gunter District laid trap wherein it was proved that the charged officer demanded bribe for sending the bills to the bank and advised to place the accused officer on his defence before the Tribunal for disciplinary proceedings. Accordingly Government, after careful examination of the ACB report, entrusted the case to the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings to inquire into the allegations of corruption Sri Ch.Venkateswarlu, ATO (Retd). The Tribunal Disciplinary Proceedings has inquired into the allegations and submitted their report on 27-12-2003 vide reference 2nd read above. The Member, Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings held that the prosecution failed to prove that charged officer made a demand for bribe of Rs.500/- for sending the bills to the Bank and accepted the bribe on 28-12-2001 and recommended for total exoneration of the charged officer from the charge.

2 Government after consideration of the report of the Tribunal Disciplinary Proceedings opined that the recommendation of the Tribunal Disciplinary Proceedings merit disagreement and by deviating from the TDP report imposed a punishment of withholding of gratuity in full and 25% of pension permanently against Sri Ch.Venkateswarlu, ATO (Retd.) vide G.O. at reference 5th read above.

3. In the reference 6th read above, Sri Ch.Venkateswarlu, ATO (Retd.) submitted a review petition against the penalty imposed in G.O.Rt.No.1652, Finance (Admn.I.Vig) Department, dated 12-4-2007. Sri Ch.Venkatewarlu, ATO (Retd), in his review petition has requested accept the findings of the Tribunal for Disciplinary Proceedings and to exonerate him.

4. Government after careful reconsideration of the matter with reference to the findings of Tribunal for Disciplinary authority and the contentions of the individual and to avoid hardship to the retired officer and his dependent family hereby modify the punishment already imposed to that of withholding of 10% pension for a period of (5) years and order to pay the gratuity in full to him.

5. The Director of Treasuries and Accounts is requested to take further action in the matter.

6. The G.O is available on internet and can be accessed at the address <http://www.goir.ap.gov.in>

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

**VASUDHA MISHRA
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FP)**

To

The individual through the Director of Treasuries and Accounts, A.P, Hyderabad.

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, A.P., Hyderabad.

Copy to the Secretary, A.P. Vigilance Commission. A.P., Hyderabad.

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